



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Paul Knox Middle School  
Aiken  
Grades: 6-8 Enrollment: 631  
Principal: John Murphy  
Superintendent: Dr. Elizabeth Everitt  
Board Chair: Ms. Rosemary B. English

## PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2012	Average	Average	TBD	TBD	B	Focus
2011	Average	Average	Silver	N/A	Not Met	CA
2010	Average	Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	CSI

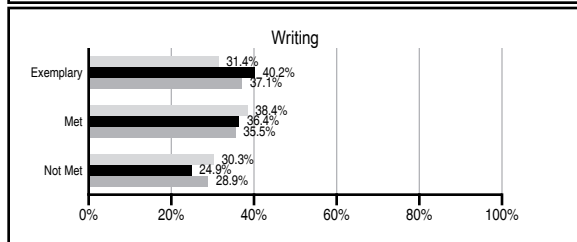
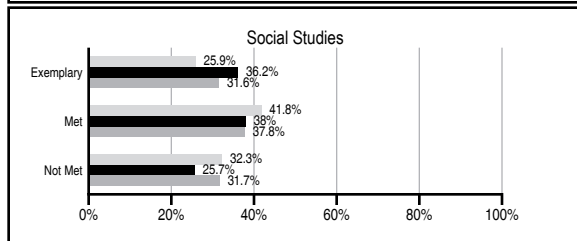
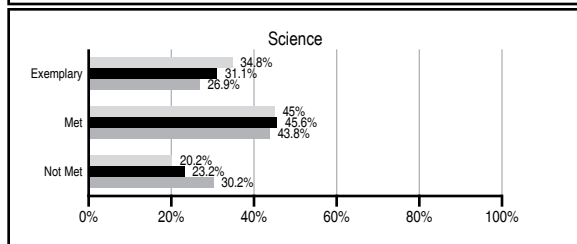
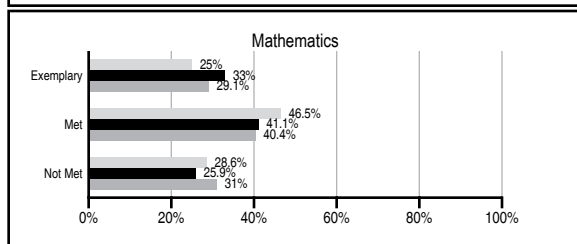
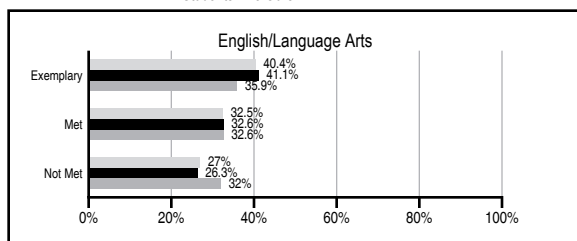
## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
11	22	16	0	1

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/07/2012. Schools with Students Like Ours are Middle Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

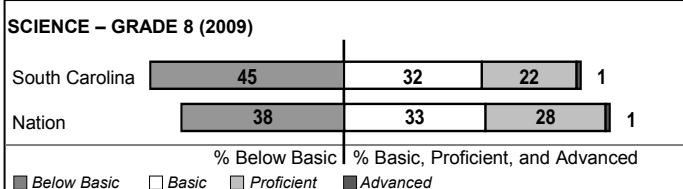
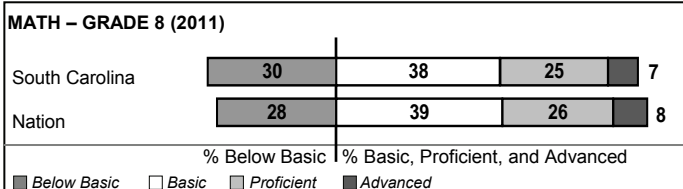
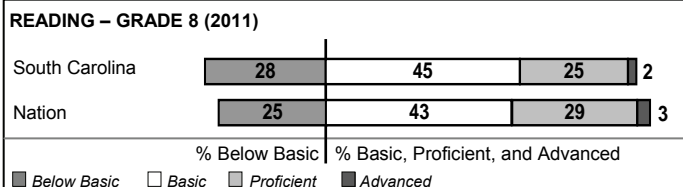
## PASS PERFORMANCE

Our School Middle Schools with Students Like Ours Middle schools statewide



## NAEP PERFORMANCE\*

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



## END OF COURSE TESTS - 2012

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	96.7	97.6
English 1	96.0	87.7
Physical Science	N/A	N/A
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	96.3	95.1

## SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

### Abbreviations Key

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## SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
<b>Students (n=631)</b>				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	48.9%	Down from 49.0%	29.3%	22.9%
Retention rate	0.0%	Down from 0.3%	0.5%	0.8%
Attendance rate	95.8%	No Change	96.3%	96.2%
Served by gifted and talented program	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
With disabilities other than speech	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Older than usual for grade	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.7%	0.5%
Annual dropout rate	0.5%	Up from 0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
<b>Teachers (n=36)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	41.7%	Down from 42.4%	61.1%	61.3%
Continuing contract teachers	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Teachers returning from previous year	84.6%	Down from 87.8%	88.2%	86.7%
Teacher attendance rate	97.5%	Up from 95.4%	95.2%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$45,829	Down 0.2%	\$46,905	\$46,422
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	1.4%	Down from 17.9%	1.7%	2.0%
Professional development days/teacher	9.3 days	Up from 8.8 days	11.2 days	10.0 days
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	3.0	Up from 2.0	3.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	N/R	N/R	23.7 to 1	22.0 to 1
Prime instructional time	92.1%	Up from 90.0%	90.1%	90.1%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	96.9%	Up from 95.2%	98.1%	98.8%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,262	Down 1.6%	\$7,092	\$7,245
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	67.1%	Down from 68.7%	63.3%	63.1%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	61.8%	Down from 63.7%	61.5%	60.9%
ESEA composite index score	80.2	N/A	89.3	88.1

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	21	170	37
Percent satisfied with learning environment	95.0%	75.3%	78.4%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	90.5%	81.4%	78.4%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	81.0%	82.1%	78.4%

\*Only students at the highest middle school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Paul Knox Middle School had a very successful year. We are proud of the fact that Paul Knox Middle School was recognized as a Palmetto Silver recipient for the 2011-2012 school year.

Our entire school community has pulled together during the tough economic environment and rallied toward the goal of providing an excellent education to our students. Teachers and administration re-designed our master schedule so that we could offer common planning time for our core content area teachers. Also, academic assistance and structured reading time is now available to each student daily.

The Paul Knox Middle School PTO was very active in its efforts to maintain morale and provide funds for much needed supplies and projects. The Paul Knox Middle School - School Improvement Council, under the direction of Mrs. Samantha Worthy, was instrumental in providing input and support for Paul Knox Middle School. The efforts of the PTO and the School Improvement Council reflects the attitude of our entire school community.

It is with great pride that I am able to serve as the Principal of Paul Knox Middle School.

John Murphy, Principal  
Samantha Worthy, SIC Chairperson

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